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Purchase of cars for the use of Ministers.

* 1160 *Q.*—Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of cars and the cost at which they were purchased for the use of the Ministers of the previous Ministry; and

(*b*) how many of those cars are in use by the Ministers of the new Cabinet?

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) Nine cars at a cost of Rs. 1,50,534.

" (*b*) Six cars."

Sri M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" மொத்தம் இருக்கக்கூடிய மூன்று வண்டிகள் என்ன ஆயின ? சமீபத்தில் புது கார்கள் சர்க்காரால் வாங்கப்பட்டனவா ? "

The Hon. Sri C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" No new car was purchased recently. The three other cars are used as staff cars now."

Assignment of Government poramboke lands to political sufferers.

* 1161 *Q.*—Sri M. C. MUTHUKUMARASWAMY : Will the Hon. the Minister for Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) how many acres of Government poramboke lands which were originally cultivated by the Harijans were given to political sufferers;

(*b*) whether there are any proposals with the Government to give compensation to the Harijans who were deprived of the said lands; and

(*c*) if so, on what basis?

The Hon. Sri M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) The information is not readily available with the Government.

" (*b*) No, Sir.

" (*c*) Does not arise."

Number of Superintending Engineers in the Highways and Public Works Departments.

* 1162 *Q.*—Sri C. MUTHIAH PILLAI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of Superintending Engineers in the Composite State in the Highways and Public Works Departments respectively;

(*b*) the number in the Residuary State in the respective departments;

(*c*) the number of temporary and permanent circles;

(*d*) when and why the temporary circles were formed; and